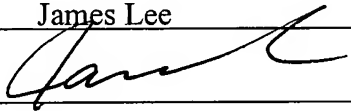


REMARKS

The additional claims are within the scope of the present specification and do not add any new matter. Attached hereto are PTO Forms A820 and the cited references.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further prosecution of this case, she is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed phone number.

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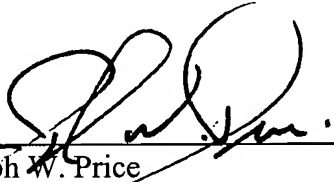
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